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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEIn re Application of: **WILKINSON ET AL.**

Serial No. : 09/771,394 Art Unit: 3731
Filed: 1/26/01 Examiner: M. H. Thaler
For: SURGICAL SCALPEL

RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 17, 2004 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 20 of this paper.

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